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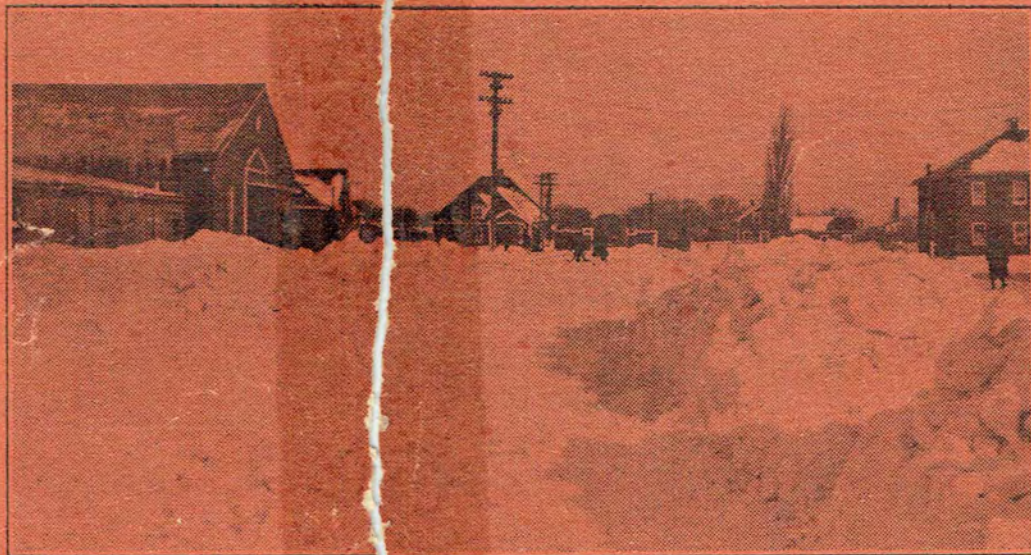
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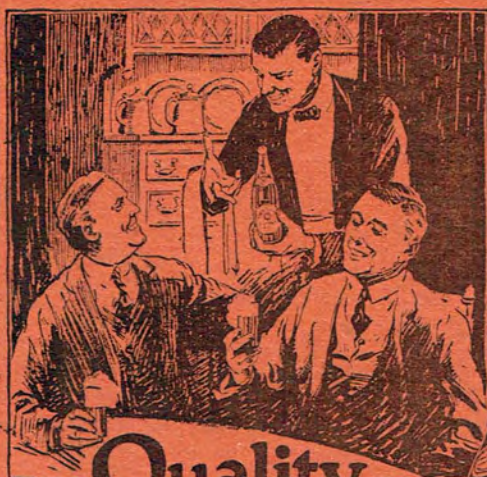
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

This, the twelfth issue of our magazine marks the close of our first year in the journalistic field. By advice from well meaning friends, errors brought about through inexperience, and various other ways, we have learned a great deal during the past twelve months, and hope to profit by the knowledge gained, in the future.

Our Contributors, by confiding their ideas to paper, have offered themselves as a target for all sorts of criticism, however, as our critics have been more friendly than otherwise, not much harm has been done in this direction. Some of us have given a little of our spare time to the paper and practically all have expended a few of their hard earned shekels by subscribing to the paper and sending it to their friends, but we have been amply repaid by the success of our paper.

We take this opportunity to thank our contributors, subscribers and advertisers for helping to make our paper the success it undoubtedly is, and hope they will honour us with their continued patronage during the coming year.

In requesting our advertisers to renew their contract for another twelve months, we are not asking them to assume the role of philanthropist. Advertising in The Goat is a sound business proposition as the paper has a wide circulation throughout the Dominion.

We would be deeply grateful if the members of the various Militia Units, who have been associated with us from time to time through training, etc., would follow Major H. Robinson's example and send us some information regarding their unit's progress.

This month's cover illustration is a view of the Barracks taken from the Stables and looking north at this time of the year when one reads of the Olympic sports in Europe, it is indeed gratifying to find that we at St. Johns, are keep-

ing up with the times. The group in the background is engaged in that pleasant pastime ??? shovelling snow. It is perhaps just as well that no one has invented an apparatus to portray the working of the mind.

Here and There.

We regret to announce the death of Lt. Col. Guy Mort, D.S.O., late of the 8th Hussars. He was well known in England on the Polo Field and in hunting and racing circles.

The following Canadian Officers have sailed to attend the Senior Officers' Course at Woking, England:—

Lt. Col. W. H. Bell, D.S.O., R.C.D., Toronto.  
Major C. E. Connolly, D.S.O., L.S.H. (R.C.), Winnipeg.  
Major E. A. S. Smith, The R.C.R., Halifax.

We regret to announce the death of Captain Michael Ryan, Director of Music of the Royal Canadian Regiment. Captain Ryan had been in poor health for several months and was removed to St. Joseph's Hospital, London, Ont., suffering from pneumonia, where he passed away on January 22nd. Captain Ryan was born in Ireland sixty years ago, and has served in the Army for forty years; he joined The Royal Canadian Regiment in 1906 and served overseas, he was one of the most popular officers in the Canadian Permanent Force. Many of us will remember the visit of the Band of the Royal Canadian Regiment who played, under the direction of Captain Ryan, at our Victoria Day Sports on the 24th of May last year. The Goat extends its sincere sympathy to his family and to The Royal Canadian Regiment in their great loss.

Heard at District Headquarters—It is understood that a Provis-

ional School of Radio is shortly to be commenced at District Headquarters, M.D. No. 4. Several of the "radio buggs" discuss this subject, "Morning, noon and night."

How much we miss Sgt. (Billy) Jackson, who is at present at the Station Hospital, St. Johns, undergoing treatment. We are led to believe that the "human hairpin," after he completes this treatment he is receiving, will verily return to the scene of his duties, a veritable "Peckham's fat Boy," but how he must miss his bosom pal Staff Sgt. "Bert" Scrivens, who unfortunately was discharged from hospital on the day friend Billy arrived. Too bad, Bill.

Rummy seems to have taken the place of Bridge, hence the fiasco. We are wondering how long this particular noon hour pastime will last.

Who was the gentleman who suggested a get-together dance of the Sergeants' Mess, St. Johns, and Headquarters Mess M.D. No. 4? Get your committees busy, gentlemen.

Should be encouraged.—Woman's attitude towards tobacco nowadays—so far as concerns the men of her household—is one of encouragement rather than opposition, because she realizes that men are better tempered when they smoke.

At the annual meeting of the Canadian Cavalry Association many complimentary remarks were made regarding the work of our Officer and N.C.O. instructors. These are very gratifying to us as we are glad to know that our efforts are appreciated. Many interesting points were discussed at the meeting, amongst them—

- (1) Long periods of training.
- (2) The long Rifle Bucket.
- (3) Issue of Hoskiss Guns.
- (4) Issue of Swords to all Cavalry Regiments.
- (5) Nickel Bits.
- (6) The Breeding of suitable horses for Cavalry purposes.

In connection with the latter Lt. Col. P. J. Montague, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C., The Fort Garry Horse, spoke as follows:—

"Another matter that I would

like to mention is the question of the purchase of remounts. The Officers located in two sections have sold privately, during the annual training periods, a number of horses to people who were attending camp, and they have suggested for the consideration of Headquarters whether it would not be possible for some horses, the better type each year, to be purchased as remounts for the permanent force from those brought to camp by the farmers, the yeomen, the militiamen who have raised them and trained them. They don't suggest there should be a large number, nor that they should be bought en bloc, but that some few horses which are of the approved type, and are in good condition and satisfactory in every way, should be purchased each year to encourage the militiamen who bring the right type of horses, and thus establish in the country districts a feeling that if the right type is bred there will ultimately be a chance of it being sold into the permanent service.

"The owner of any horse, no matter how much he is attached to it, cannot hope for a better life for his animal than that it should be permanently serving in His Majesty's forces, and, if he gets a fair price for it, it will redound to the benefit of the Militia and of the country."

We extend our most sincere sympathy to the Rev. A. H. Moore, and family, in the death of Mrs. Moore. Mrs. Moore will be greatly missed both in the social and Church work of the community. Representations of the Officers, Sergeants, and Men's Messes of the Cavalry Barracks, were present at the funeral.

OLD R.C.R. OFFICER DIES.

There passed away in an hospital in Montreal on Wednesday, February 13th at the age of 62 years, Lieut.-Colonel J. E. Chinie, of the Retired List of Officers of the Royal Canadian Regiment. Colonel Chinie joined the R.C.R. in 1883 as a lieutenant, and served in the North West Rebellion of

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1885 on the staff of Major General Sir Fred. Middleton, receiving the medal for that campaign. He was for many years stationed in St. Johns, Que., rising step by step until he eventually commanded the School of Instruction and No. 3 Company, R.C.R. Depot.

The late officer was one of the most popular of the old regime, strict and just yet his friendly manner and kindly ways are well remembered by those who served under him, as well as by many who took courses of instruction at the depot.

He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, who was a daughter of the late Mr. Justice Chagnon, of St. Johns, and three sons.

## Personal & Regimental

Ex-Sgt. A. B. Martin paid a visit to the Barracks last month. Mr. Martin is employed with the D. S. C. R. at 102 Inspector Street, Montreal.

Major R. B. Nordheimer, M.C., R.C.D., returns Feb. 18th from Peterborough, Ont., where he has been on instructional duty for the past six weeks.

Lieut. Col. W. H. Bell, D.S.O., R.C.D., and Mrs. Bell sailed for England on the Canadian Pacific liner Montlaurier on the 25th of January. Lt. Col. Bell will attend the Senior Officers Course at Woking.

We extend our sympathy to Tpr. E. Boucher, in the death of his stepfather Mr. T. Foucher, of Montreal.

Tpr. J. Greenwood, who took his discharge from us in May 1921, has re-engaged in "A" Sqn. R.C.D.

Mrs. J. H. Dowdell and family have gone to Renfrew, Ont., called there by the death of Mrs. Dowdell's mother.

Tpr. G. Brunelle has been attested to "A" Sqn. R.C.D. Tpr. Brunelle, whose home is in Iberville, served with the 22nd Bn. C.E.F., from Jan. 1915 till Feb. 1919.

After the hockey game in Montreal against the Victoria Rifles of Canada, on Feb. 2nd, Major Bowie and Captain Drury were entertained at dinner at the United Service Club by some of the Officers of the Vics.

The undermentioned Officers were guests at the monthly dinner in the Officers' Mess on Friday,

Feb. 8th and afterwards attended the Boxing Tournament:—

Lieut. Col. T. W. Holloday, U.S.A., Officer Commanding Fort Ethan Allen, Vt.

Col. Neilson Jackson, R.O., U. S. A.

Major H. E. Marr, U.S. Field Artillery.

Capt. R. M. Bathurst, U.S. Field Artillery.

The following Honorary members of the Mess were also present: Brig. Gen. C. J. Armstrong, C.B., C.M.G.

Col. Le Due, H.Q., M.D. No. 4.

Capt. Home, M.C., The R.C.R.

Mrs. Hubert Stethem, and "Buster" are visiting Mrs. Carson in Kingston, Ont.

Major W. Neilson, D.S.O., of the Headquarters Staff, M.D. No. 4, who has been in the Royal Victoria Hospital for the past few weeks, is spending a few days in Barracks whilst convalescing.

Major E. L. Caldwell, "A" Sqn. R.C.D., is on March 1st, being transferred to Winnipeg, Man., where he has been appointed D.A. and Q.M.G. Mrs. Caldwell and children will remain in St. Johns until about April, when they will sail for England on a visit. Though we will miss Major Caldwell and are very sorry to lose him, we must heartily congratulate him on being appointed to the Staff.

## "A" R.C.D. Skating Carnival.

The "weather man" favoured "A" Sqn. R.C.D., with very favourable weather for the Fancy Dress Skating Carnival, held on Feb. 1st. Costumes were of many varieties, colours and style, ranging from a full grown "elephant" to that little speck of humanity known to all readers of the "comic supplements" as "Sunshine."

The judges, Mrs. A. J. Wight and Mr. Cleary were confronted with a large problem of judging which was the best costumes. Miss Gladys Pugh as "Yes we have no Bananas" was awarded first prize for ladies. For the benefit of those who were doubtful of her word, a tray was carried with fruit other than bananas.

Trooper E. R. Barrie was awarded first prize for men, as "A Viking," a costume that completely disguised the wearer. Miss Madeline Barker as a Flower Girl was awarded the prize for the best girl, her costume and bearing creating quite an impression. Master George Webb as "Barney

Google" accompanied by "Sunshine," carried off the honours for boys.

Special mention might be made for "The Elephant"; this costume was a credit to these officers, who, it was quite obvious, spent a lot of time and hard work on their creation. The antics this noble animal was put through by its Indian Trainer, were very carefully carried out.

S.S.M. Smith gave his version of "A Polo Player and his Pony" which was very original and a source of merriment to the spectators. Barney Google's little assistant known as "Sunshine" being from the Sunny South was a bit unfamiliar with skates, but was a good asset to his master.

Many others might be mentioned, but owing to lack of space the most that can be said is that each and every one deserved credit and contributed largely to the success of the evening.

The prizes were handed out by Major D. B. Bowie, D.S.O., who was so moved with the little folks' attempts, that he dug up additional prizes for their efforts.

After the presentation of prizes the visitors repaired to the Officers' and Men's Mess, where refreshments were served. After which the Barracks Orchestra favoured with a number of delightful dance numbers, for those inclined to trip the light fantastic toe, which lasted until midnight, after which all wended their way homewards satisfied we hope with an evening well spent.

J. R. C.

## Militia Notes.

Prov. Lieut. Farnsworth, 7th Hussars, joined the Subalterns' course of the Royal School of Cavalry, St. Johns, for portions B. and C.

Royal School of Cavalry, St. Johns, Quebec.—The six weeks' course for Lieutenants, and N.C.O.'s was completed on the 16th inst. During the next few weeks, courses will be conducted, for Captains, Veterinary Officers, and in Equitation.

The Captains' class will last for a period of 10 days, from Feb. 20th till March 3rd, the following officers are expected to attend:—

Capt. W. M. Ferguson, New Brunswick Dragoons.

Lieut. G. B. McDonald, New Brunswick Dragoons.

Lieut. F. F. Northrup, 6th King's (Nova Scotia) Mounted Rifles.

Lieut. E. G. B. Brockwell, McGill C.O.T.C.



Capt. D. D. McGoun, McGill C.O.T.C.

The Veterinary Officers' class from Feb. 20th till March 10th, will be under the direction of Col. M. A. Piche, R.C.A.V.C. for Veterinary subjects, while the instruction in Drill equitation, interior economy, etc., will be handled by the Instructors of the R. S. of C. The following Officers will attend:

Major C. Colombe, C.A.V.C.  
Capt. H. A. Trudel, C.A.V.C.  
Lieut. J. A. Berube, C.A.V.C.  
Lieut. C. E. Labelle, C.A.V.C.

The equitation class lasting from Feb. 20th till March 15th, will be attended by:—

Capt. C. E. Minguy, Le Regt. de Montmagny.

Capt. E. Boily, Laval C.O.T.C.  
Lieut. J. H. Brophy, Laval C.O.T.C.

Commands Engineers. — The Canada Gazette contains notice of the promotion of Captain J. L. Melville, M.C., to be major and to command the 3rd F.C.C.E. He succeeds Major J. A. McKenna, who is granted the rank of Lieutenant Colonel on retiring.

Major Melville served with the 10th Field Company, C.E.F., for two years, going to the Corps in 1918. He was in charge of the bridging of the Canal du Nord at Marquoin when a steel span 108 feet in length was put in position in eight hours. Major Melville had been previously awarded his Military Cross, but for his work at the Canal du Nord, he received a bar to the same. He is in charge of the Vetcraft work of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment.

Now in Command.—The Canada Gazette contains notice of the promotion of Major W. S. Wood, to be lieutenant colonel and to command the 38th Battalion, Ottawa Highlanders. Major R. O. Wheatley becomes second in command.

Now Captain.—Lieut. C. E. Steeves, P.L.D.G., has been promoted to be a captain in the regiment and is transferred from A to B Squadron as second in command of the latter.

Provisional Schools.—A Provisional School for the officers of the Infantry regiments of the Ottawa garrison was opened on the 17th of January. The Hull Regiment also are running a school. Capt. J. A. Grenier, of the Royal 22nd Regiment is the officer in charge. Capt. Trudeau is also assisting.

Will Provide Escort.—The Princess Louise Dragoon Guards have received orders to provide a travel-



## Concert.

A concert given by the members of the Men's Mess "A" Sqn., R. C. D., was held in the Station Gymnasium on Friday, Jan. 25th, 1924. The gym. was crowded with the members of the Station, their families and their friends. The "Best Ever" was the opinion of everyone. There was not a dull moment in the whole evening, each and every number receiving hearty applause which were well earned. Tpr. McGorman, as a Coon describing his Monday morning thirst, was the hit of the evening, and we regret that lack of space prevents us from describing the excellent work done by each member of the company.

Great credit is due to those responsible for getting up the concert, and we congratulate them on the snappy way in which the programme was carried through.

In spite of our small strength we have the talent for a cracking good Concert Party, let's have another one soon. The programme was as follows:—

Overture, selected, Barracks Orchestra.

1. Opening song—The Party.
2. Song, Mate o' Mine—Tpr. J. Jewkes.

ling escort for His Excellency the Governor General from and to Rideau Hall on the opening of Parliament on the 28th instant. The escort will be in command of Captain C. E. Steeves, with Lieut. C. Gervin as second in command.

3. Duet, Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Shean—L/Cpl. Phillips and Tpr. Dutton.

4. Song, Since you went away—Tpr. Lawrence.

5. Song, comic, Barney Google—Tpr. H. Rowe.

6. Song, There's a little bit of bad—Tpr. J. Wood.

7. Trio, Seven or Eleven—Cpl. Barker, Tprs. Rodney and McGorman.

8. Sixtette, Strutters' Ball—The Party.

Interval.

Overture, selected, Barracks Orchestra.

9. Opening song, One Week—The Party.

10. Song, That old gang of mine—Tpr. Rodney.

11. Song, comic, Me and My Gal—Tpr. Wood.

12. Duet, Let the rest of the world go by—Cpl. Sargent and Tpr. Dutton.

13. Song, Old Scotch Mother O'Mine—Tpr. Jewkes.

14. Song, comic, Sweet Butter—L/Cpl. Phillips and Tpr. Lawrence

15. Song, Mountains o' Mourne—Cpl. Sargent.

16. Song, While London Sleeps—Tpr. H. Rowe.

17. Song, comic, Half-an-apple—L/Cpl. Phillips.

Grand Finale.

God Save the King.

Accompanist—Mrs. H. Swarbrick.

Fellow Feeling—Every married man knows how a king feels as nominal head of a state that has a dictator.—

## A Little Bit of Memory

By an "Old Fogey."

(Continued from January.)

But speaking of soldiers' gardens—or plots cultivated by them for their individual use—I would state further: That not only was all unoccupied ground within the stockade utilized, but for those who wished to garden on a more extensive plan—what was known as the French Fort was allotted them and which lies west of the Barracks and separated from it by the G.T.R. tracks and the Richelieu Road. That this enclosure was at some time occupied by buildings of some sort, was evident by the finding of so many old posts sunk deep into the ground, and from their accurate spacing used for foundation support.

Tradition tells of this being the Fort which in Revolutionary times was stormed by Gen. Montgomery—and which held out for some weeks against a besieging army of three times its strength. Tradition also tells of Gen. Montgomery's respect for the activities of the besieged that his main camp was located on the north bank of the creek one mile distant and which locally bears his name,—in fact a portion of his line of entrenchments may be easily discerned to this day—of course this is local tradition only. But getting back to the R.C. Rifles—things went along in the usual hum drum way until Confederation. Then the question with all ranks was what is Horse Guards going to do with us now?

Some few favoured returning



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Home but by far the majority wanted to remain in Canada—and this phase being taken up by Ottawa and the British authorities—it was further permitted that any married soldier who had completed nine years' service was permitted his discharge, and allowed a gratuity of sixpence a day on his unexpired ten years' service.

Then came the upheaval of all arrangements by the burning of the West Wing—Guard Room, and Quarter Master's Stores—which resulted in a great many cases of married men with families being given one year's furlough with pay and rations pending discharge while the balance of those burned out were distributed between Fort Lennox and Fort Chambly. The writer has a very vivid remembrance of our arrival by water at Isle Aux Noix—while the male portion marched the intervening twelve miles, but owing to favourable winds—the apple boats containing women and children and effects arrived first, but to our horror the boats were not permitted to even tie up to the dock on the East side of the Island, and it was well on to sunset before the main party arrived at St. Valentine where they were warned that they would not be permitted to land on the Island—the Officer in Charge only being permitted to cross. Then it was discovered that owing to the news having arrived at Fort Lennox that Scarlet Fever was then raging among the children at St. Johns, we were to be quarantined for three months by orders of the Garrison Doctor.

All this bungling resulted in our being landed after sunset without shelter or food other than that drawn before leaving St. Johns, as nothing was known of this when leaving St. Johns, all hands therefore spent the night in the open and our only covering being whatever we could get, and as we expected to draw rations on arrival, the older ones tightened up their belts, to let the women and children eat. Next morning the draw bridge was lowered and tents, blankets and camp equipment were placed outside and an order given not to attempt to camp nearer than 200 yards of the main gate, while sentries were posted to keep everyone within certain limits—this we had to endure for nearly 2 months, and as no cases of fever appeared, quarantine was lifted and we were permitted to enter.

The Barracks at St. Johns was, however, the first complete evacuation which was completed early in 1869, between that period and January 1st, 1884, when "B" Coy. I.S.C. (now the R. C. Regt.) took over the Barracks, since which it

has (except for a couple of years during the Great War) been in occupation by Canadian Forces, but the Royal Canadian Rifles is no more, only in the history of British Regts. are they mentioned—and I very much doubt that any of its members are still alive, but everywhere throughout our broad Dominion their descendants are to be found—many of whom though born and raised in the lowly surroundings of a Barrack Room have risen to the highest places in the gift of our people, many to wealth and many more were later to be found in the nucleus of Canada's first attempt to form a Permanent Corps, and I have yet to meet or hear of one, who does not feel it some thing to be proud of to be able to say, he was a descendant of the Royal Canadian Rifles, and proud of his heritage.

The End.

## The Letter Box.

Stanley Barracks,  
Toronto, Ont.,  
January 25th, 1924

To the Editor, "The Goat,"

The Barracks, St. Johns, P.Q.

The writer recently received a letter from Mr. E. Elliott, of 7 Avondale Road, Birmingham, Eng. Mr. Elliott will be remembered by many of the members of the C.E.F. Regiment as "Ernie." He served as Armourer S/Sgt. He did his work exceptionally well, and was universally liked. Mr. Elliott is in good health. He cherishes many happy memories of his day with the Regiment, and wishes to be remembered to all of his old comrades.

May I take this opportunity of wishing "The Goat" every success in 1924. May I, too, extend my congratulations to you on the continued excellence of the publication.

T. A. James,  
Capt., R.C.D.

The Editor "The Goat":

Having reference to that portion of the article "A Little Bit of Memory" of your January number, which states—that buttons found on the shore line were from old uniforms thrown in from the "slop wharf," and that none of the 60th or the Royal Canadian Rifles were ever found. I would point out that I have in my collection a number of 60th Rifle buttons (metal) and also one (metal) button of the Royal Canadian Volunteers. Most of these I found far south of the location of the old

"slop wharf," and in which area I have also found, and still have quite a few silver and copper coins dating back to 1700, French, English, and Trading Company's tokens.

How does the author account for this?

Also quite a few of the buttons are of a period far previous to the period with which the most interesting article deals.

According to the Army List the 60th (K.R.R.) were in Canada 1759-1760—1762-1766, and took part in the Capture of Montreal.

H. Stethem, Major,  
R.C.D.

Headquarters The Royal Canadian  
Regiment, Wolseley Barracks,  
London, Ont.,

29th January, 1924.

To the Editor, "The Goat."

Dear Editor,—Many thanks for copy of your January issue and for your complimentary editorial note regarding the Connecting File.

Hoping to hear from you occasionally and wishing you every success.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

C. J. Wimperis, Sergt.  
Asst. Editor, The Connecting File.

H.M.S. Wistaria,  
At Bermuda,  
Jan. 10th, 1924.

To Sgt. Major Doyle,  
Editor "The Goat."

I have been receiving your magazine every month and have not yet had the good manners to acknowledge its receipt until now.

I can tell you most sincerely that I appreciate them very much and many are the times I have tried to devise some way of reciprocating your kindness.

I believe that in May we shall be travelling to Canada once more, and may fortune and good luck favour us in our endeavours to give you a good time. Each one of us that was present at your sports on that memorable day eagerly peruse the magazine every month, and wish for the time we had, to come again.

Our last cruise which was South we enjoyed very much, but I do not think any would prefer it to the North.

From the Magazine I gather that the Valarian has met you, and again your kindness and comradeship was lavished on the Royal Navy.

It is wonderful to have such good brothers across the Ocean.

The Valarian is now back at Bermuda, anchored a few yards



away from us, soon they will be over to exchange experiences of their last cruise.

I hope that all our comrades are still at the Cavalry Barracks, St. Johns, so that we may see them all on our return.

Now I must close, so wishing the Sergeants' Mess every bit of luck possible, and sending the best from each of us.

I am,

Yours most sincerely,  
Harry Allen,  
Petty Officer,  
H.M.S. Wistaria.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

(By Bruno)

During the past month we have been inundated with questions regarding most diverse subjects. At great expense, we have secured the services of "Bruno", who will answer these and future queries to the best of his ability. "Bruno", as we all know, goes everywhere and mixes with the best people round Barracks, and we feel sure his advice on all matters will be greatly appreciated.

(Cheerful Idiot)—Do crocuses blooming in July foretell a National calamity?

As we have never heard a "Crow cuss" we must plead ignorance on this point.

(Ambitious Young N.C.O.)—No, it is not considered proper to send flowers to the Sgt. Major. In my young days we used to remember the adage—"Say it with Dows."

(Much Maligned)—Yest, people will probably remember you when you are gone, but the fact that you

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## Bytown Bits.

Vimy Dinner.—General His Excellency Baron Byng, has issued invitations for the Vimy Dinner, which will be held at Government House on Wednesday the 9th of April.

Is President.—General C. H. MacLaren, has been elected the president of the County of Carleton Law Association for the current year. General MacLaren went overseas as Major commanding the 2nd Battery, and was afterwards Brigadier General of the 1st Brigade, C.F.A.

Gone to England.—Wing Commander J. Lindsay Gordon, R.C. A.F., has left for a two years' course at the Staff College of the Royal Air Force at Andover, England. Wing Commander W. G. Barker, V.C., who was in charge at Camp Borden, has arrived in Ottawa to take over Wing Commander Gordon's duties.

Well Known Here.—Leopold Guy Francis Brooke, who succeeds to the title of the Earl of Warwick is well known in Canada. In 1913 he, in company with Lieut. Colonel Howard Vyse, R.H.G., came to Canada and took charge of the Cavalry Camp at Petawawa, being in command of the 2nd Mounted Brigade, then composed of the 3rd

are continually going sick, does not mean you will die any sooner, have you tried Prussic Acid?

(Seeker after Knowledge)—Smoking concerts were first invented during the period of the Spanish Inquisition. The sufferers were fixed in all sorts of abominable contrivances and the performers inflicted torture on these poor sufferers until they said what was required of them. Nowadays the audience are the sufferers and the performers still inflict torture until the audience applauds sufficiently.

(Dubious)—No, it is impossible. One would have to be of abnormal stature to carry one foot fifteen paces from the other.

(Student)—We know of no school that gives a course in the "Quartermaster's Dialect," but you might try the "Nut Ward" at St. Anne's.

(Etiquette)—It is not necessary to wear spurs when playing "Cow-boy Pool."

(Grouser)—No, snow fatigues do not come under the heading of "Winter Sports," but, remember "Satin finds some work for idle hands to do."

Dragoons, 4th Hussars and the Princess Louise Dragoon Guards. In 1914, he also was at Petawawa in charge of the camp. During the war he was in command for a time of the 4th Canadian Infantry Brigade and afterwards in charge of Bramshott Camp. He was later in command of the 12th Canadian Infantry Brigade and was wounded in 1916, a month after taking over command. He also served on the Canadian Military Mission in Paris. He is 41 years of age and holds decorations from British, French, Russian, Belgian and Japanese governments.

Will Make Inspection.—Commodore Walter Hose, C.B.E., R.C. N., commences this month his annual inspection of the company headquarters of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve. The tour will embrace the visiting of twelve cities from Halifax to Vancouver, where the sailors have their different bases. Three additional companies are being organized with headquarters at Halifax, Victoria and Vancouver. All of the companies with the exception of the Montreal one, have their own buildings. There are now 650 members of the R.C.N.V.R. and all have had at least one year's training. A good many are pukka sailors.

Opening of Parliament.—The orders issued from the Department of National Defence, in connection with the opening of Parliament on the 28th instant call for lots of work from the Ottawa garrison. The Princess Louise Dragoon Guards furnish an escort to the Governor General from Rideau Hall to the House of Commons and return. The 1st Brigade C.F.A., supply a saluting battery to fire 21 guns on the arrival and departure of His Excellency from the chamber. The G.G.F.G. supply a guard of honor of 100 men with colours and brass band. The usual detail of Officers Commanding city units and officers of the Headquarters Staff are being warned for duty on the floor of the House and the floor of the Senate chamber on the evening of the 1st of March at the Drawing Room.

Sincere Sympathy.—H.R.H. the Prince of Wales will have the sympathy of other good sports who have fallen off when taking water jumps, etc. No names, no pack drill.

Still Find Bodies.—The annual report of the Imperial War Graves committee, just published, says the bodies of British and Canadian soldiers are still being recovered on

various battlefields on the Front, and that a number recently found at Ypres, Vimy and on the Somme. They were removed to the nearest cemetery. It is expected that many more yet will still be found when Bourslon and other woods are cleared. The task is a difficult one, the committee points out, owing to the denseness of the undergrowth and the large quantities of unexploded ammunition. In every case the next-of-kin are immediately notified.

Prize Money.—A third distribution of naval prize money has been authorized by the Admiralty and approximately \$40,000 has been allocated for distribution to Canadian naval ranks and ratings by the Department of National Defence. The Department of National Defence is ready now to deal with any applications received. Those applying will be required to forward their service certificates in order to have their claims considered. The Canadian cruiser H.M. C.S. Niobe was one of the biggest prize capturers either in the Royal or Canadian service. She laid by the heels more than 70 ships carrying contraband out of New York and other ports.

What is This?—Dr. J. H. Bean has been elected president of the Central Canada Veterinary Association. Cheerio, old Bean.

Quite So.—At a political convention held in Ottawa recently, a delegate stated that women should take a prominent part in the work of the party. "We should work together," he stated, amidst applause. The country need not worry about its lack of population if this advice is followed.

Garrison Hockey.—The Garrison hockey league is now in full swing and three to four games a week are on the schedule. The P.L.D.G., G.G.F.G., 38th Regt., R.C.A.F., Engineers, and Machine Gunners all have teams entered in the league. Some promising material is being discovered and the games are well patronized by the members of the garrison and their friends.

Garrison Ball.—The officers of the Ottawa Garrison will hold a ball at the Chateau Laurier on the evening of the 19th instant. A strong committee, comprising a representative from Headquarters and each unit of the garrison, have the matter in hand under the direction of Major J. S. Grant, G.G.F.G. The ball will be under the immediate patronage of the Governor-General and the Lady Byng of



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Vimy, who will both attend, accom-  
panied by a party from Govern-  
ment House.

Commanded Police.—Mr. Laur-  
ence K. Fortesque, former Comp-  
troller of the Royal North West  
Mounted Police died on the 6th  
instant at Oxford, England. He  
was Assistant Comptroller from  
1908 to 1913 under Colonel Fred  
White, C.M.G. He was 71 years  
of age when superannuated in 1916  
but despite his years did active war  
work at the High Commissioner's  
office in London. He joined the  
Police in 1873 and had previously  
held a commission in the Royal  
Marines.

Sergeants' Ball.—The Warrant  
Officers, Staff Sergeants and Ser-  
geants of the Headquarters and  
the Ottawa Garrison will hold a  
ball about the first of the next  
month.

Another One Gone.—The en-  
gagement is announced of Major  
Laughlin MacLeod Hughes, Royal  
Canadian Artillery to Miss E. A.  
Gray, daughter of Mrs. Andrew  
Gray, of Victoria. Major "Lock"  
Hughes was a well known figure  
in the Canadian Cavalry Brigade  
and took command of B. Battery,  
R.C.H.A., in October 1918, upon  
the death of Major Sandy Mac-  
Pherson.

At R. M. C.—It has been an-  
nounced by the Hon. E. M. Mac-  
donald that the trophies and silver  
plate presented to Canada by the  
officers of the Prince of Wales  
Leinster Regiment—Royal Cana-  
dians, would be sent to the  
Royal Military College.

When Premier King was in Eng-  
land last fall, he received the  
mementos from the Prince of  
Wales, who is honorary colonel of  
the regiment. The inscription on  
the plate reads "that it was given  
as a token of regard for the great  
Dominion, that gave birth to the  
battalion, to be held in trust until  
such time as the battalion is raised  
again." The regiment was dis-  
banded in 1922.

Want an Armoury.—A delega-  
tion of officers and prominent cit-  
izens of Hull waited on the Min-  
ister of National Defence recently  
to urge the claims of the Hull Regi-  
ment for an armoury. The pre-  
sent quarters of the regiment are  
far from being in any way suitable  
and it is pointed out, that the work  
done both during the war and  
since, by the regiment entitles  
them to at least a drill hall of  
some kind or other. The deputa-  
tion were introduced by Major  
General Ashton, Quartermaster  
General and the Minister promised



Noticed at the Royal School of Cavalry.

to give the matter his careful con-  
sideration.

At Sea.—The two destroyers  
Patriot and Patrician are at pre-  
sent at sea. The Patriot, Lieut. H.  
E. Reid, R.C.N., is at Bermuda  
attached to the North America and  
West Indies Station and will carry  
out gunnery and torpedo practice  
with the squadron commanded by  
Vice Admiral Sir Michael Culme  
Seymour.

The Patrician, Lieut. J. E. W.  
Oland, R.C.N., has gone down the  
California coast. Squadron  
Leader A. E. Godfrey, R.C.A.F.,  
is attached to the Patrician and  
will act as liason officer between  
the navy and air force during the  
cruise.

The mine sweepers Armentiers  
and Thiepval are assisting the De-  
partment of Marine and Fisheries  
by a patrol at Bamfield, B.C., for  
the purpose of giving assistance to  
merchant vessels who may be in  
need of the same.

Several officers of the R.C.N.,  
have proceeded to England for  
duty and instruction. Lieut. C. R.  
H. Taylor goes to Chatham for  
gunnery, Lieut. H. W. T. Grant to  
Portsmouth for navigation and  
Surgeon Lieut. Commander G. A.  
L. Irwin to the Admiralty for ap-  
pointment.

### Heard at the Royal School of Cavalry, Toronto.

Instructor—"Why does the  
Guard Commander inspect his  
guard at Reveille?"

Subaltern—"To see if they are  
all there, I guess."

Who was the "B" Sqn. N.C.O.  
who passed this remark in the 3rd

Troop Stable—"Cut out the com-  
pensation and get on with your  
work."

Corporal—"Well Jock, you cer-  
tainly have an easy job."

Jock—"You cannot talk, you  
have a softer job than Kolchak."

Who was the N.C.O. when drill-  
ing a squad of recruits, gave the  
command, "Hopping on eternal  
feet, commence."

Who was the senior N.C.O. who  
told a trooper that he could have  
a certain Lance Corporal up for  
"definition of character."

Who was the junior N.C.O. who  
when asked to name the artificial  
aids, quoted "nightingale."

Trooper—"Hey Sergeant, the  
rear knees of your horse are  
swollen."

Who was the N.C.O., when ask-  
ed to give a recapitulation of mus-  
ketry stated, "I will now give a re-  
assination of Musketry."

Who was the N.C.O., when asked  
to explain the cadences and paces  
for marching, quoted: "The cadre  
for the quick march is 120 to the  
minute."

Who was the N.C.O., when told  
to give the detail for the kneeling  
load position stated: "I will now  
demonstrate the kneeling load po-  
sition," and came down to this  
position while at the "Slope"?

Examining Officer—"How  
would you find your way by  
night?"

Attached N.C.O.—"If I were out  
in the dark at night I would find  
my way by the moon."



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I love it sweet and prime;  
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## Boxing Tournament.

On Friday night, Feb. 8th, it was very plain to the casual observer, the amount of enthusiasm that had been stirred up in town, by the announcement of our boxing tournament, for our civilian friends were well on time, assembling outside the Gym. long before 8.00 o'clock, although the show was not slated to start before 8.30 p.m. They all intended getting a front seat if possible.

At about 8.10 p.m., the Barracks Orchestra opened up with a selection of popular songs, which gave everyone a chance to exercise their vocal chords. Sharp on time, General Armstrong, accompanied by the visiting officers of H.Q. M.D. 4, the Officers of the American Army from Fort Ethan Allen, and the officers of the Garrison, also Mayor Trahan, and a number of well known personages of town, arrived and took their seats.

S.S.M. Smith, the M. C., then, in a few well chosen remarks, explained the object of the Tournament, that of endeavouring to promote clean and manly sport, and to show St. Johns what a real boxing tournament consists of. He also requested all present to refrain from smoking, a remark which was well received, as such a practice is a great detriment to the boxers in the ring.

Major John Long, head of the Boxing Commission of Montreal, who was the referee, then entered the ring, and the first two contestants were introduced. **Tpr. F. W. Lawrence vs. Tpr. T. Rowe.**

The first round of this contest found both men looking for the other's weak spots, and showing some good footwork. At the gong things were about even. The second round showed a steadying up of both men, although Lawrence did most of the leading. The third round was a little faster and Rowe was using his weight a little more than he had done previously, and this began to tell a little. Both men worked hard, but Lawrence was in the lead with a small margin at the gong. The judges disagreed on this fight, and Major Long gave the fight to Lawrence.

**Bout 2—Paul J. McSweeney, 3rd Cav., U.S.A., vs. Tpr. A. Duffy, R.C.D.**

It is necessary to state that Paul J. McSweeney was slated to meet Tpr. Lawrence, but owing to being 9 lbs. overweight for Lawrence, Tpr. Duffy was selected to meet McSweeney.

This bout was the surprise of the evening, as Tpr. Duffy, who had done very little training, was expected to leave the ring at short notice. He did as a matter of fact, but it was with a smile, for at the gong he waded right in, and the first three blows struck staggered the other boy so much, that he never had a chance to recover, and furthermore Duffy did not give him a chance. Duffy forced him into a corner, and there handed out another which put the boy to the floor for a count of seven. On coming up again, Duffy forced him back to the ropes, and with a well timed right to the jaw, sent our visitor down for the count. The whole round only lasted one minute and thirty-five seconds.

**Bout 3—Sgt. J. Langley vs. Sgt. T. Sheehy.**

This was perhaps one of the best bouts of the evening. Both the Sergeants took a very aggressive attitude during the whole fight, and there appeared to be no love lost. They are both excellent sports, and adopted the old idea of "In the ring—in the ring, but out of the ring, forget the mitts." They kept a very fast pace throughout, and each had a turn of touching the boards, but the lay down was only for a second, and they were up and at it again. There was so little to choose between them, that the referee gave his decision as a Draw, and this was well received, as it was almost impossible to show any difference, sufficient to give either one the verdict. To settle the question of the prize, they tossed up, and Langley won on a head.

**Bout 4—Charles Willis, 7th F.A., U.S.A., vs. Tpr. Dutton, R.C.D.**

This bout proved to be one of the most interesting of the evening. Both men showed excellent skill,

and were throughout, very aggressive. At the end of the first round the referee held up the fight, as the floor had become a little slippery, and it was necessary to add a little rosin. The second round was very even, although there appeared to be a small margin in favour of Dutton. The third round was very fast, and one can hardly say that there was any reason to dispute the decision of a draw. This however, was not in favour of the boxers, who agreed to fight an extra round for a decision. At this point, the referee stated for the information of all present, that according to the rules for boxing, in the event of the boxers agreeing to fight an extra round, after the decision of a Draw had been given by the referee, that the work of the previous rounds was all washed out, and that the decision of the fight depended entirely on what was done in the extra round. Time was then called, and the boys went at it again. This extra round was even faster than the previous one, as it was very apparent that both men were after a sure decision. However on the gong, Major Long stated that there was nothing to choose in this round and again gave his decision as a Draw. The boxers then decided to toss for the Cup, and our American visitor won the toss. The exit of these two boxers brought a great deal of applause from the spectators.

The conclusion of this bout brought on a ten minutes interval, and during this period the Barracks Orchestra again came into the lime-light, and supplied popular music, which everyone seemed to enjoy.

### Bout 5.

Special mention must be made of this bout, which was an exhibition by Guardsman Ranney and Guardsman Volkirk, of the Can. Grenadier Guards. Both these boys hold a very good reputation in the boxing world, and from the remarks of Major Long, Ranney is well backed this year, not only for the Provincial Championships, but also for the Dominion Championships. He also stated that Volkirk, who is a great worker, has had a lot of hard luck, but is still sticking to the hope yet, and is training hard. The exhibition put on by these two boys, was without doubt, the best of clever, clean and fast boxing yet seen in St. Johns. Such an exhibition as these boys gave, is surely the right sort of stuff to encourage further efforts on the part of those who are interested in boxing, as their performance was most instructive. Space does not permit to say all one

would like to say about these two excellent boxers.

**Bout 6—Cpl. R. Harris vs. Tpr. J. Cassidy.**

A very good performance was put up by these two men, both working very hard throughout the fight, and for the first two rounds there was very little to choose between them. Both showed good footwork, good leading and counter work. After a well fought three rounds, the decision went to Cpl. Harris.

**Bout 7—Frank Sthorti, 7th F.A., U.S.A., vs. L/Cpl. R. A. Stanyar, R.C.D.**

The entry of these two boys in the ring signalled the last bout of the evening, but by no means the least important, as these two boys started in at a very fast pace, with Stanyard doing the leading with a very heavy right swing. It was obvious that if he had ever connected with his opponent's jaw, there would have been someone asleep, but our visitor sized this right swing up from the start, and kept very clear of it, although Stanyard kept forcing the pact. The second round was a little in the favour of our visitor, as he had Stanyard down for a few seconds. The third round opened up fast, both men working very hard for a decision, and towards the end of the round our visitor had things pretty well all his own, as he showed that he had lots of stuff left, and was using it well when the gong went. This was an excellent bout all through and a well earned decision of a win went to our visitor.

This concluded the bouts for the evening.

General Armstrong then went into the ring and presented the cups and prizes to the winners. The recipients of same came in for very hearty applause from the spectators.

General Armstrong then, in his concluding remarks, made special mention of how fortunate we were to secure the services of Major John Long as referee, pointing out that the way Major Long had handled the night's sport, was an eye opener to every one, and showed how well a boxing tournament can be made a success by having a referee that knows his job.

General Armstrong then passed a hearty vote of thanks to the Officers and N.C.O's responsible for the arrangements, stating that a lot of credit was due them for the admirable way in which every thing had been carried out. We all add that the the Gym. Com-



mittee are due to everything that is coming to them over this Show, which was without doubt, the BEST YET. "Congratulations Old Committee," you all did well.

The Barracks Orchestra then struck up "The Star Spangled Banner," followed by God Save the King, and everyone proceeded home, well satisfied, and firmly convinced that they had just had the pleasure of witnessing the best boxing show St. Johns has had since we can remember.

N. I. B.

#### Officials.

Referee—Major John Long.

Judges—Col. T. A. Hollyday, U.S.A., Commanding Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont; Major D. B. Bowie, D.S.O., R.C.D., Commanding Cavalry Barracks, St. Johns, P.Q.; Major E. L. Caldwell, R.C.D.

Time Keeper—Capt. N. M. Halkett, M.C., R.C.A.M.C.

Master of Ceremonies—S.S.M. C. W. Smith, R.C.D.

The following suitable verses were printed on the back of the programme:—

#### Think and Win.

If you think you are beaten—you are;

If you think you dare not, you don't;

If you like to win but think you can't,

It's almost a cinch you won't.

If you think you'll lose—you've lost;

For out in the world we find Success begins with a fellow's will, It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you're outelassed—you are;

You've got to think hard to rise; You've got to be very sure of yourself

Before you can win the prize.

Life's Battles don't always go To the Stronger or Faster man; But soon or late the man who wins Is the fellow who thinks he can.

(Books of Today and Books of Tomorrow.)

#### HOCKEY.

##### "A" Sqn. R.C.D., vs. Singer.

Snow was falling steadily on Saturday, Jan. 19th, as the puck was faced off and continued to fall throughout the game. The ice was heavy and consequently the pace was slow; nevertheless the game was hard fought from start to finish.

At times the spectators lost sight of the puck for minutes at a time but this did not deter the rival rooters from endeavouring to "outshout" one another. The Squadron team was far superior in the opening period; Durnford scoring after a period of continued pressure on the Singer goal. In the second period the Drags slackened up considerably and Potvin was practically given clear ice to come through and equalize the score. Both teams fought hard for a deciding goal in the last period, but owing to fine defence work on both sides, their efforts were fruitless. It was decided that owing to the weather conditions it would be foolish to play any overtime, and the game will remain a draw until the end of the season when it will be replayed should the result have any bearing on the final standing of the league. Had our team not been well managed, the result of the game might have been far different, playing as we were, on heavy ice and with a couple of injured players. Timely reliefs and a slight change in the players' positions made a decided improvement.

Singer R.C.D.  
Sagala.....goal ...Capt. Drury (Capt.)

G. Potvin.....def. ....Tpr. Kelly  
Black.....def. ...Tpr. Mercier  
Gaudette.....cen. L/Cpl. Stanyer  
Lauder.....for. ....Tpr. Barrie  
Donaghy.....for. ...L/Cpl. Durnford, (Capt.)

Lefebvre.....spare ..Cpl. Barker  
Barrabe..... " ..L/Cpl. McKerral

" L/Cpl. Greene  
" ....Tpr. Rowe

First period—  
1—R.C.D. ....Durnford

Second period—  
2—Singer ..G. Potvin

Third period—  
No score.

Referee—Mr. Bill Rollo.

##### St. Johns College vs. "A" Sqn. R.C.D.

On Thursday, Jan. 24th, the students from St. Johns College played us a return game on the Barrack Rink. The game was exciting and fast from start to finish, but when the final whistle sounded the score stood three all, and overtime failed to produce any further scoring. So far the second time this year we had to be contented with a draw against the College Boys. In the first few minutes of the game things went well for us and we managed to net two goals before the students got started. Barker taking the puck from our territory carried it down the ice for a pretty pass to Durnford who

slammed it in with one of his left-wingers. Shortly afterwards Barrie, who had replaced McKerral, shot one in from the right wing. Good defence work on both sides prevented any further scoring.

The second period was fairly even, and a fluke goal for the College was the net result. The puck being passed from behind our net hit Barker's skate and slid in before Capt. Drury had a chance to see it.

In the third period the students put up a great game, and staged some of their wonderful combination plays, soon tying the score and taking a lead of one goal. In the last five minutes a pass from Greene to Barrie tied the score.

In the overtime both goalers were hard pressed, but they managed to stop everything that came their way.

St. Johns College R.C.D.  
Martin.....goal ...Capt. Drury  
Racicot.....def. ....Tpr. Kelly

J. Cote.....def. ...Cpl. Barker  
Tremblay.....cen. ...Tpr. Mercier

Gaudette.....for. ...L/Cpl. Durnford, (Capt.)

Leroux.....for. ....L/Cpl. McKerral

G. Cote.....spare.. Tpr. Barrie

Champaigne... " L/Cpl. Greene

Archambault.. " ....Tpr. Rowe

Schetagne.... " ....Tpr. Poulin

First period—  
1—R.C.D. ....Durnford

2—R.C.D. ....Barrie

Second period—  
3—College (puck slid in off R.C.D. man's skate.)

Third period—  
4—College ....Leroux

5—College ....Racicot

6—R.C.D. ....Barrie

Overtime—  
No score.

Referee—The Rev. Father Jude

##### K. of C. vs. R.C.D.

On Monday, Jan. 28th we met the Knights in a hard fought battle during the entire sixty minutes of play. In the opening moments of the game the Drags launched an attack which threatened to pierce the opposing defence, but Morin



"Red" McKerral's Dream After the K. of C. Game.

by some splendid goal keeping averted the danger. The Knights scored thrice in the opening period. In the second period Kelly, who played a hard game got the Drags' first tally. Towards the end of the period Sabourin beat Capt. Drury for the Knights' fourth point. The last period found the Drags working hard to overcome an almost impossible lead. Durnford and Mercier netted one goal each and Latour beat the Drags' defence on a break away. The final score was K. of C. 5, R.C.D. 3.

Teams and summary—  
Knights R.C.D.  
Morin.....goal ...Capt. Drury  
Latour.....def. ....Tpr. Kelly (Capt.)

Sabourin.....def. ...Tpr. Mercier  
Camaraire....for. ...L/Cpl. Durnford

Lord.....for. ...L/Cpl. Stanyer

Nicholson....for. ...L/Cpl. McKerral

Connolly.....spare ..Cpl. Barker

Harbec..... " ....Tpr. Barrie

First period—  
1—K. of C. ....Latour

2—K. of C. ....Sabourin

3—K. of C. ....Lard

Second period—  
4—R.C.D. ....Kelly

5—K. of C. ....Sabourin

Third period—  
6—R.C.D. ....Durnford

7—R.C.D. ....Mercier

8—K. of C. ....Latour

Referee—Mr. Rollo.

##### Champlains vs. R.C.D.

On Jan. 30th the St. Johns hockey fans witnessed one of the best games of hockey that has been played on the local ice for some years. The ice was in perfect condition and the Drags, smarting as a result of their defeat by the K. of C., started off at a clip which made the Champlains take notice. Paul Beaulieu drew first blood for the Champlains, and Durnford soon equalized. The first period ending one all.

The Champlains managed to net one goal in each of the remaining periods, but this in no way effected the uncertainty of the result until the final gong sounded. Both teams played stellar hockey with, if anything, the Drags pressing the harder of the two, and only a little hard luck and the excellent work of Marchand in goal saved the Champlains a trimming. Though the game was fast and hard fought from start to finish there was not a single penalty, the game being enjoyed by players and spectators alike.

Teams and summary—  
R.C.D. Champlain  
Capt. Drury...goal ...Marchand



Cpl. Barker...def. ... Langlois  
Tpr. Kelly...def. ... P. Trahan  
Tpr. Mercier...for. ... P. Beaulieu  
(Capt.)

L/Cpl. Durnford...for. ... Gervais  
L/Cpl. McKerrall...for. ... E. Trahan

L/Cpl. Stanyer...spare ... Mayrand  
Tpr. Barrie... " ... Martin  
" ... P. Potvin

First period—

1—Champlain ... Beaulieu  
2—R.C.D. ... Durnford

Second period—

3—Champlain ... Beaulieu

Third period—

4—Champlain ... Trahan

Referee—Mr. P. Brault.

### "A" Sqn. R.C.D. vs. Victoria Rifles of Canada.

On Saturday, Feb. 2nd we journeyed to Montreal to cross sticks with our old friends the Vics. The game was played on the new Loyola College rink, and was a spectacle of fast, clean hockey, those who made the trip to the rink were amply repaid for their trouble.

The Dragoons were the most aggressive during the first few minutes and Durnford soon netted the first goal. Horsfall equalized for the Riflemen after a solo run from end to end. Following a bit of combination Horsfall got a second goal from Donnelly's pass.

In the second period we had the best of the play, scoring two goals to the Riflemen's one. Contrary to expectations the Vics did not weaken as the game progressed, but came back strong at the finish, scoring three goals, while McKerrall managed to get in one of his pretty right-wingers.

Horsfall and Lieut. Stenson were the pick of the Riflemen, while our own team all worked hard, but the defence seemed lost on the large rink.

The game was played exactly as a friendly game between two regiments should be played; hard bumps were taken in good part, and there was not a single penalty; and the cheers at the close of the game (given as only soldiers can cheer) indicated the friendly spirit that exists between the two regiments.

Teams and summary—

R.C.D. V.R.C.  
Capt. Drury...goal ... Wilson  
Cpl. Barker...def. ... Donnelly  
Tpr. Kelly...def. ... Lieut. Stenson  
Tpr. Mercier...cen. ... Horsfall  
L/Cpl. McKerrall...for. ... Gillehan

L/Cpl. Durnford...for. ... Gillehan  
L/Cpl. Stanyer...spare ... Donnelly

L/Cpl. Greene... " ... Caldwell  
Tpr. Barrie... " ...  
Tpr. Rowe... " ...

First period—

1—R.C.D. ... Durnford  
2—Vics ... Horsfall  
3—Vics ... Horsfall

Second period—

4—R.C.D. ... Kelly  
5—R.C.D. ... Stanyer  
6—Vics ... Donnelly

Third period—

7—Vics ... Horsfall  
8—Vics ... Stenson  
9—R.C.D. ... McKerrall  
10—Vics ... Horsfall  
Referee—Mr. Powell.

After the game both teams motored to the Queens Hotel where the Vics entertained us at dinner, then we proceeded to the Victoria Rifles Armoury on Cathcart St., where a most enjoyable Smoker was held.

### R.C.D. vs. Singer.

On Sunday, Feb. 3rd, arriving back from Montreal at noon we took the ice at 3 p.m. for our game with the Singers. Being our fourth game within a week we were hardly in the best of shape. Within the first few minutes of play we met with two accidents that were enough to take the heart out of any team, Mercier taking the puck from a rebound tripped, and slid the puck into our own nets, and a few seconds later a shot passing well in front of the goal, hit Kelly on the hip and bounced in. Before the close of the game the Singers managed to find the nets three times more, and the only thing that saved us from a shutout was one of McKerrall's hot shots from the right wing, which beat Sagala. Final score—Singer 5, R.C.D. 1.

Teams and summary—

R.C.D. Singer  
Capt. Drury...goal ... Sagala  
Tpr. Kelly...def. ... G. Potvin  
Tpr. Mercier...def. ... Lefebvre  
L/Cpl. McKerrall...for. ... Donaghy

L/Cpl. Stanyer...cen. ... Lauder  
L/Cpl. Durnford...for. ... Gaudette

Tpr. Barrie...spare ... Lemieux  
L/Cpl. Greene... " ... A. Beaulieu  
" ... Barabe  
" ... Alexandre  
" ... Black

First period—

1—Singer (puck accidentally knocked in by Mercier).

2—Singer (puck bounced in off Kelly's leg).

Second period—

3—Singer ... Barabe  
4—Singer ... Alexandre

Third period—

5—Singer ... G. Potvin  
6—R.C.D. ... McKerrall

Referee—Mr. Rollo.

### R.C.D. vs. St. Johns College.

On Feb. 7th we played a game with the College on their rink. Our team was decidedly off colour from the net out, and the students banged in eight goals faster than The Goat reporter could keep track of them. McKerrall managed to find the net once for us and saved us a shutout.

The game was as usual, clean and friendly, and the students produced the usual box of cigars at the close of the game. The Rev. Father Judes handled the whistle.

### Victoria Rifles vs. "A" Sqn. R.C.D.

The Victoria Rifles paid us a visit on Saturday, Feb. 9th and played us a return game on the Barrack Rink. Three officers and about fifteen other ranks made the trip, arriving by the 12.50 p.m. C.P.R. They were entertained at lunch by the various messes, and then most of them took the opportunity to go through the stables, where they were introduced to "Peter," "Maggie & Jiggs," the Polo Ponies, and the rest of our "long-faced" friends.

The game started at 3.15 p.m. with the Drags, hitting a fast clip, Kelly scoring the first goal in the early moments of the game. We had the best of the play throughout the period, and found their net a second time, McKerrall scoring a beautiful goal from Durnford's pass.

The second session was more even, each team scoring twice—Stanyar and Durnford getting one each for the Cavalry, and Horsfall managed a "duet" for the P.B.I.

Some very fast hockey was witnessed in the final period. The Vics. were better value for the money. Horsfall scored again after carrying the puck from end to end. Try as they might the Vics. could not equalize the score. The result was R.C.D. 4, Vics. 3.

Teams and summary—

V.R.C. R.C.D.  
Wilson...goal ... Capt. Drury  
Lt. Stenson...def. ... Tpr. Kelly  
Donnelly...def. ... Cpl. Barker  
Gillehan...for. ... L/Cpl. Durnford

Horsfall...cen. ... Tpr. Mercier  
Gillehan...for. ... Tpr. Boucher

Donnelly...spare ... L/Cpl. Stanyar  
Caldwell... " ... L/Cpl. McKerrall

" ... L/Cpl. Greene  
" ... Tpr. Barrie  
" ... Tpr. Rowe

First period—

1—R.C.D. ... Kelly  
2—R.C.D. ... McKerrall

Second period—

3—R.C.D. ... Stanyar  
4—R.C.D. ... Durnford

5—Vics. ... Horsfall  
6—Vics. ... Horsfall

Third period—

7—Vics. ... Horsfall  
Referee—Mr. Powell.

Most of our visitors stayed over night with us, and in the evening were entertained by our Concert Party.

### Squadron Hockey League.

In the Inter-Troop Hockey games, as last year, all players who are on the Squadron team are barred, consequently these games are very amusing and bring out a lot of undiscovered talent. The first game played was between the First and Third Troops, and resulted in a win for the latter. The game between Sqn. H.Q. and Second Troop took place on Jan. 31st and proved to be exciting from start to finish. The ice was rather soft and the "Swallow Dives" given by Troopers McClelland and Newby, were very graceful and amusing whilst Major Stethem took to the water like a "Duck." The final score was 6-2 in favor of H.Q. Double header games were played on Wednesday, Feb. 13th, the first game being between the 1st and 2nd Troops, and the second game between H.Q. and 3rd Troop. The keenness of competition between the teams was clearly shown, because a period of overtime play failed to break a one-all draw, in the first game, and it took 6 minutes of overtime play before H.Q. could break a 2-all draw in the second game. The star performers in the League seem to be "Yankee Rodgers," "Sailor" Lawrence, and Sgt. Davies.

A very good exhibition of "Football," "Badminton," ground "Golf" and Hockey was given. "Sailor Lawrence" used his weight to its best advantage, no one could stop the "Elephant" on the H.Q. defence whilst Lance Corporal "Heavy" Desnoyers' body checking was a revelation to all; the rough tactics employed by Capt. Halkett, can only be explained by remembering the town from which he hails.

The standing of the league is as follows:—

|           | Won | Lost | Draw | Pts. |
|-----------|-----|------|------|------|
| Sqn. H.Q. | 2   | 0    | 0    | 4    |
| 3rd Troop | 1   | 1    | 0    | 2    |
| 1st Troop | 0   | 1    | 1    | 1    |
| 2nd Troop | 0   | 1    | 1    | 1    |

The contented wife will tell you that she likes to see her husband smoke because she knows it makes him happy.



## The Dogs of the North

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The northern dog is generally considered as the horse of that country. Until they were featured in the so-called dog derbys throughout the northern parts of Manitoba, they were animals very little known by the public generally. It is a fact, however, that, without them, transportation would be much retarded in the Arctic and sub-Arctic regions where these animals furnish the only means of transportation outside of human locomotion during the cold winter months when the snow is deep.

Northern dogs are usually considered as "huskies." All dogs of the north are commonly misnamed in this particular, at least those not really of the breed mentioned; and it stands to reason that one species cannot very well include such a wide variety as hounds, collies, Newfoundlands and many other breeds such as are to be found there.

The genuine husky dog comes from the Mackenzie River section and is named Malamute after a tribe of Indians living near the mouth of the river. Lest I should make a scientific error I shall explain the Indian word. The Standard Dictionary spells it "Malemuit" and gives Malamute as an alternative spelling or variant—and who are we that we should quarrel with a ten pound lexicon? It has also been spelled in the following ways by different writers: Mahlemoot, Mahlemutes, Mahlemuts, Malegmjuti, Maleigmjuten, Maleimioute, Malemukes, Malemut, Malemutes, Maliemuts, Malimiut, Malimuten, Malimyut, Mamelut. German writers used the spelling ending in "en". As previously stated this name is commonly applied to all dogs originating in this section whether or not they are "huskies."

### The "Husky" Breed.

The husky is a cross between a dog and a wolf. This cross may be a half breed wolf or may have only a trace of the wolf blood. Usually they have very much the appearance of a wolf, even if they are nearly all dog. The weight and color varies a good deal, according to the breed of dog that is intermingled. Gray is, however, the predominating color—from a light to a dark gray. The weight of the ordinary dog is from seventy to eighty pounds when in good working condition. These dogs are very large, savage and rough, the strain being kept up by breed-

ing with the hardest wolves. The male dogs are from the Yukon River section, at least two thousand miles distant from the "huskies" named after the Indian tribe.

The Eskimo dog is about half the size of the "husky," rather stocky in build and slightly heavier than the English pointer. They have oblique eyes, elongated muzzle, and a long bushy tail, which is frequently curved tightly over the back, and gives them a wolfish and sneaky appearance. The color is usually a deep dun, obscurely barred and patched with a darker color. In recent years they have, to some extent, become mixed. They are commonly eaten by their owners. If they have been lazy and are consequently fat they are voted "just excellent"; while if they are thin they are "just dog."

### "Huskies" Are Strong.

Compared to other animals of their size and weight, there is nothing to equal the husky dog in strength. Jack London, in one of his books on the north country, tells of a dog moving a sleigh weighing over 1,200 pounds—a fair load for a horse. This occurred during the gold rush of 1898. Again, thirteen huskies drew a mounted police boat weighing over 5,500 pounds with the sleight, across a fairly rough country a distance of four miles without stopping. One has only to make a comparison of the weights drawn and of the dogs to arrive at a conception of their pulling power.

Or take for example one of the recent Dog Derbys: The entrants are started off together about eleven o'clock in the morning and make a non-stop trip two hundred miles and are back by nightfall of the following day. Neither dogs nor drivers sleep from the instant they leave until they return. The drivers run along behind most of the way but jump onto the sleigh for a moment at a time when they become tired. It appears a rather spectacular accomplishment to the man unused to the North where men and dogs are hard, to be able to run for two hundred miles without a let-up.

In 1921, when eleven teams were entered and the winner made the trip in thirty-one hours, a record by the way, it was noticed that none of the drivers sought rest on his return to town after the long, hard trip. Every man took in the whole celebration, including the dances and remained until the early hours of the following morning. It is interesting to note that drivers entering the great event featured at Le Pas, Manitoba, for

the purse of \$2,500, train and treat their animals, previous to the race, like boudoir pets. In fact a dog's life, under the circumstances, is much to be desired.

### Value of Dogs.

A good lead dog is worth a lot of money, for upon him depends the work of the whole team. The lowest price at which a dog could be obtained last season was around one hundred dollars. First class animals that were good leaders were hard to get at any price, and when obtainable, cost several hundred dollars each. Scarcity of dogs was due to the neglect of breeding stock by the Indians. Inbreeding has resulted in deterioration of the husky race and new blood from such cold weather breeds as Newfoundlands and St. Bernards, it is declared, is necessary if the value of the dogs of the North is to be preserved.

Great care and patience is required in the training of these animals. Care must also be exercised that the common dogs do not get into a fight with the leader, caused by the jealousy of the former for the latter's position. Only a few weeks ago a Mounted Police Sergeant at Le Pas had a good team ruined. Two of his dogs broke loose during the night and attacked the lead dog. The latter, being chained and unable to get away or to put up any fight, was killed. Even in a dog race where the animals are running abreast it is not unusual for two teams to get into a mixup, causing damage to the dogs and the whole outfit before they can be extricated by their drivers.

### Often Wear Shoes.

Years ago it was the custom of the racers to run their dogs in their heavy freight harness. In 1920, however, Walter Goynes, commonly called "The Going Kid" because he had won an event in Alaska at the age of eleven, against a big field, won the prize at Le Pas. He used the very lightest harness possible and a light Alaskan racing sleigh, both of which are now universally used in racing. The restriction of five dogs to a team has been removed but the driver must end the race with the same number of dogs with which he started out.

A dog harness is very simple, consisting of a collar, a pair of traces, attached to the collar, and an adjustable band similar to a horse's belly-band, which goes around the body to hold up the traces. The traces of the dog nearest the sled are fastened to the sled and those of the next dog to the one immediately behind and so

right on through. A breast collar is sometimes used but the dogs can pull a bigger load much easier when real collars are used.

When much travelling is done on the ice, or on the hard crusted snow the dogs are often shod with moccasins of moose, deer, or caribou hide to keep the feet from becoming sore. On trap lines where trails are usually soft, flat-bottom sleds are used and for these the trail must be broken with snowshoes. The Indians on their trap lines, break out the trail the previous day or have the squaws walk ahead of the team and so break the trail.

### Driving the Dogs.

Driving is done by the voice, the lead dog being trained for this. Instead of urging the dog team with the civilized exclamation as applied to horses as "Get up Dobbin!" the driver of the dog team exclaims "Mush,—you! Mush on." It is more emphatic, whether or not it is efficacious. In conversation many drivers tell me that unless one swore at the dogs they would not drive as they do. It is largely a matter of what they are trained, however, the idea being that when a driver gets mad he customarily curses and swears at them and the dogs know this.

Huskies have mean dispositions which is largely accounted for by the treatment they receive. This is especially true of dogs belonging to Indians. It has been said that an Indian can ride a horse a hundred miles after a white man has given it up as being "all in." This is equally true of the dogs. I have seen the Indian knock one of his best dogs down on the slightest provocation, and how the animal managed to ever come to was a mystery to me. The white man invariably treats his dogs much better. The Indian has never been a factor in these dog derbys for the reason that he will not care for his animals properly. The Indian dog has nothing to look forward to but a cold bed in the snow, a piece of frozen fish for supper if his master is in good humor, and a beating if he isn't.

### Natural Thieves.

During the winter months the dogs are constantly in service, making long, hard trips. When summer comes they are turned loose to shift for themselves, kicked around and generally much abused. It is no wonder then, that they are of a thieving disposition. Their thieving nature, combined with their highly developed and hereditary cunning makes it necessary to keep everything of an edible nature out of their reach; they



will steal anything that has the slightest odor of food on it, even to old rags.

When working the dogs are fed once a day, usually after supper and are then given a place to lie down, when they are contented and ready for the next day's work. The allowance for a day is usually a pound of corn meal and one-quarter pound of tallow made into a mush. Sometimes they are fed on fish, depending on which item is the cheapest and easiest procured. Occasionally unique uses are made of them as revealed by a trip into the Hudson Bay district some years ago by the writer where I saw six dogs hitched to a one-horse plow turning up the sod. Truly they are wonderful animals! Long may they remain in the North!

## The Royal Canadian Dragoons.

### CHAPTER TWO.

(Continued.)

#### Givenchy.

On June 1st, 1915 the Brigade marched South and went into billets at Le Preol in reserve to the 2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade, who were holding the line in front and immediately east of Givenchy. On the night of June 3rd and 4th the regiment occupied shelters on Queens Road and were heavily shelled but escaped with slight casualties. Major Elmsley, who left the Regiment after Festubert to fill the position of Brigade Major, 2nd Canadian Infantry Brigade, directed the Squadrons into their allotted places. On June 5th the Regiment was relieved at Le Preol by the 2nd King Edward's Horse. During the relief the village was shelled and casualties of 1 O. R. killed and 4 wounded occurred. Billets in Le Quesnoy were occupied until June 15th, when the regiment was ordered to move up and cover the south bank of the La Basse Canal near Vauxhall Bridge. "B" Squadron went forward to the Orchard and reported to the Officer Commanding 3rd Can. Batt. at 11 o'clock. They were withdrawn at 5 o'clock on June 16th to bivouacs after having 9 O. R's wounded. At 4 p.m. June 16th orders were received from the 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade to move forward again and "B" Squadron reported to the O.C. 3rd Batt. at North Orchard Terrace, "A" Squadron to Sidbury Mound, "C" Squadron to the Distillery. At 9.15 p.m. the Royal Canadian Dragoons were ordered to attack from Duck's Bill, but the order was postponed at 9.35 p.m.

and finally cancelled, owing to a change in the situation.

The regiment was withdrawn to Vauxhall Bridge at 10 p.m. and in the morning were ordered back to billets at Le Quesnoy. On June 23rd the R.C.D. relieved the L.S.H. in the front line and support trenches of sub-section B.1, just north of the Le Basse Canal. The trenches held were inspected by the Divisional Commander during the morning of June 24th and the Regiment was relieved at 5.30 p.m. by the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards, the trenches occupied by "B" Squadron being taken over by the King's Company. The Brigade marched to Bethune remaining there till June 26th, when they moved to Neuve Eglise, arriving there at 8 p.m. June 28th. On June 29th Orders were received to take over the system of trenches between Messines—Wulverghem from the 5th Can. Inf. Batt., the Royal Canadian Dragoons completing the relief at 1 a.m. June 30th.

#### Trench Warfare.

This line was held by the Canadian Cavalry Brigade from June 30th till August 11th, Squadrons being relieved in periods of 4 days in the front line, 4 days in support and 4 days in reserve. At this period the opposing forces had settled down to Trench Warfare and the routine became one of constant "digging in" and wiring to strengthen the line, which up to this time had been very weakly entrenched. The use of Snipers was practised to quite a large extent and the regiment had some excellent material to pick from. The Brigade left its name on the system of trenches and strong points by christening them with the names of the units and Commanding Officers, thus "Dragoon Alley", Nelles Walk, King Edward Terrace and Seely Redoubt became part of the Trench System.

During this period the regiment had 2 officers wounded, 3 O.R. killed and 22 wounded. The Brigade remained opposite Messines, alternately occupying trenches and furnishing working parties, until October 2nd, when with the Canadian Mounted Rifle Brigade, they formed what was known as Seely's Force and took over a series of trenches near Dickebusch. The 3rd C.M.R. (less 1 Sqn.) were placed under Lt. Colonel Nelles, to form part of the force reserve with the Royal Canadian Dragoons.

From October 9th until November 22nd the regiment supplied its quota of working parties on support trenches and G.H.Q. lines, but on the 22nd moved to Bulford

Huts near Neuve Eglise where they remained for one night, relieving the 10th Batt. 1st Can. Division in the front line at Ploegstert Wood. This tour of duty was uneventful and on November 27th the Regiment moved back to Bulford Huts where they supplied working parties and experienced a spell of cold weather, rain and winds reminiscent of Salisbury Plains. On December 2nd the regiment relieved the 6th Battalion C.M.R. opposite Messines, Major Kingsford, Commanding "C" Squadron, being wounded during the relief. When the trenches were taken over by the 5th Batt. 1st Canadian Division on December 10th, the Regiment moved back to Aldershot Huts to remain with the Brigade, as the Corps Reserve, and to be at the disposal of the 1st Canadian Division for working parties. These were supplied until January 25th, 1916, when the long looked for orders arrived for the re-organization and re-mounting of the Brigade. A final inspection of the Brigade was held by Lt. Gen. Alderson at Loere when the most complimentary remarks were made on the services the various units had rendered during the period they were attached to the Canadian Corps.

### CHAPTER THREE.

Cavalry Training—Battle of Bazentin Ridge—German Retreat to Hindenberg Line—Battle of Cambrai, 1917—The German Counter Attacks—Trench Warfare Once More—The Raid on Lily Trench.

On January 26th, 1916, the regiment entrained at Steenwerk Station and arrived at Woincourt, France at 4 p.m. January 27th. The Squadrons were billeted in separate villages, "A" Squadron in Allenay, "B" Squadron in Friaucourt, Regimental Headquarters and "C" Squadron in Tully. The Brigade was placed under the 1st Indian Cavalry Division, who loaned the R.C.D. 200 horses to carry out the necessary equitation work until such time as the horses which were left in England arrived. On February 28th, The Fort Garry Horse arrived from England to take the place of the 2nd K.E.H., making a complete Canadian Brigade. Major General Lessard, C.B., Inspector General of Canadian Forces in Canada and a former C.O., inspected the Regiment and complimented all ranks on their smart appearance.

(To be continued.)

The attached class had been watching the Sergt. Instructor carrying out various movements of troop drill with a troop of matches on the lecture room table. At the end of the period the Instructor asked one of the Attached N.C.O.'s to go through any one of the movements. The N.C.O. after standing and looking helplessly at his troop of matches for some time finally acknowledged that he could not remember a single order.

Sergt. Instructor in disgust—"D—— it all, if you can't do anything else tell them to dismount and graze."



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